

It being thought necessary by his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r & Lib. H. D.
Councill &^{ca} of his Maj^{ties} Province of Maryland, for his Maj^{ties}
service & the Peace & safety of that Province to Command
us the Subscribers to attend upon your Ex^{ncy} and lay before
you some things relating to the Indians and a late Murther
committed by Indians unknown &^{ca} In obedience whereunto
we attend yo^r Ex^{ncy} & humbly Offer.

1st That we are ready to acquaint yo^r Ex^{ncy} the Circum-
stances of the s^d late Murther.

2^{ndly} That forasmuch as the s^d late Murther has been com-
mitted by Indians unknown to the Govern^t of Maryland
therefore his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r and Councill &^{ca} of Maryland
desire your Ex^{ncy} to cause inquiry to be made after the s^d
Murtherers within your Government as hath been lately done
in Maryland by his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r for the seizing and
apprehending an Indian called Esq^r Tom that fled to that
Province from the hands of Iustice in Virginia.

3 That whereas it is reported in Maryland that the Indians
are possessed with ill notions that for any misdemeanors
committed there they are not to be punished for the same
in Virginia; therefore it is also desired that your Ex^{ncy} will
be pleascd to make them sensible of the contrary.

4^{thly} Your Ex^{ncy} is also desired to prohibit the Inhabitants
under your Government from selling to those Indians lately
come out of Maryland, any Powder or Ball, and the like will
be done in Maryland by his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r &^{ca} The said
Indians having carried away with them out of that Govern-
ment & purchased since a considerable quantity of both by
their own saying That by Information the said Indians have
not purchased or used a thousand weight of Powder a year.

5th Your Ex^{ncy} is likewise desired to appoint & send some
Gentlemen to meet in Stafford County or else where and
call the s^d Indians before them in Order to discourse them in
presence of some persons to be sent out of Maryland, as well
to inform the Indians the resolutions of this Government not
to protect them; as also for the Gentlemen of Maryland to
make proposalls to them.

6 Your Ex^{ncy} is likewise desired to send persons up to
the ffort of the said Indians in this Government to see if
they have any strange Indians among them and what number
there may be of them; and whether they have dispersed them-
selves about a hunting according to their usual custome; it
being apprehended that the said Indians, living so remote p. 601
from the inhabitants, may have french Iesuits or Priests and
other French men among them.

7^{thly} Your Ex^{ncy} is likewise desired to cause yo^r Rangers
appointed for the ffrontiers of Potomock to settle somewhere